

Online Appendix to Accompany

How Closing Civil Society Space Affects NGO-Government Interactions

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Table 1. Summary of the Numeric Variables

	Sample Size	Mean	St. Dev.	Min	Max
<i>Mean Intensity of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions (t+1)</i>	5079	-0.257	1.280	-6.750	6.160
<i>Mean Intensity of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions (t)</i>	5079	-0.257	1.280	-7	6
<i>Core Civil Society Index</i>	4326	0.321	0.273	0.021	0.986
<i>CSO Entry and Exit from V-Dem</i>	4326	-1.000	1.400	-3.610	2.960
<i>CSO Repression from V-Dem</i>	4326	-0.932	1.410	-3.210	3.500
<i>CSO Participatory Environment from V-Dem</i>	4326	-0.783	1.180	-2.920	3.010
<i>CSO Repression from ICEWS</i>	3960	6.950	0.199	0.531	7.380
<i>Level of Democracy</i>	3688	3.490	6.450	-10.000	10.000
<i>Logged Aid to All NGOs</i>	3710	6.200	6.680	0.000	17.800
<i>Logged Aid to Non-NGOs</i>	3710	15.900	7.780	0.000	24.900
<i>De Facto Political Globalization</i>	4529	53.200	26.600	3.600	98.800
<i>Logged HRO Presence</i>	3585	4.440	0.903	0.693	6.170

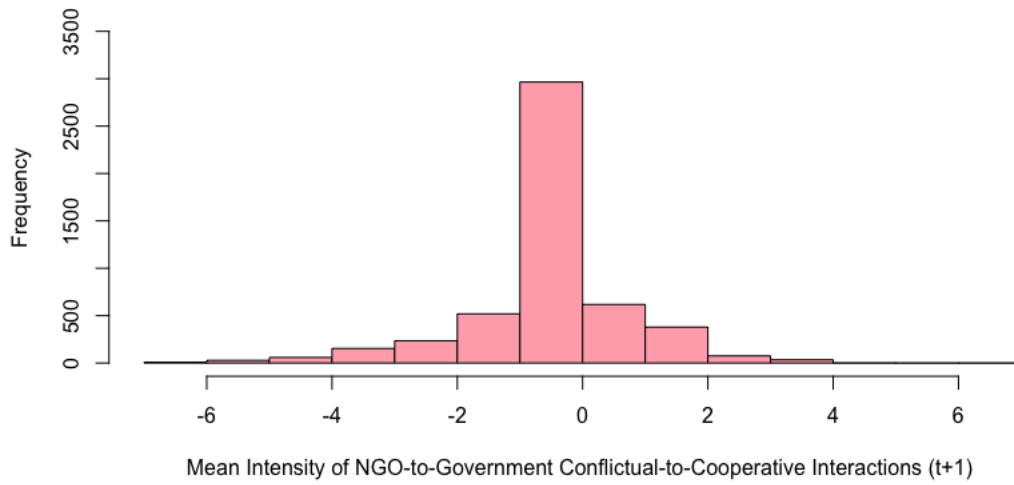


Figure 1. Histogram of Mean Intensity of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperation Interactions from ICEWS (t+1)

Table 2. The Outcome of Quadratic Regression Models for Determinants of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions with Robust Standard Errors

	<i>Dependent Variable</i>			
	<i>Mean Intensity of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions from ICEWS (t+1)</i>			
	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3	Model 4
<i>Core Civil Society Index from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>	-6.362** (3.057)			
<i>Core Civil Society Index from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>	6.459*** (1.597)			
<i>CSO Entry and Exit from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>		-9.814*** (2.827)		
<i>CSO Entry and Exit from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>		5.279*** (1.544)		
<i>CSO Repression from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>			-8.631*** (2.871)	
<i>CSO Repression from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>			4.096** (1.668)	
<i>CSO Participatory Environment from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>				5.749** (2.290)
<i>CSO Participatory Environment from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>				-2.415 (1.702)
<i>Level of Democracy</i>	0.007 (0.008)	0.002 (0.007)	0.005 (0.007)	0.024*** (0.006)
<i>Logged Aid to All NGOs</i>	-0.004 (0.004)	-0.005 (0.004)	-0.004 (0.004)	-0.004 (0.004)
<i>Logged Aid to Non-NGOs</i>	-0.0001 (0.005)	-0.001 (0.005)	-0.0005 (0.005)	-0.005 (0.005)
<i>Whether an OECD Country</i>	0.139 (0.100)	0.167* (0.101)	0.123 (0.100)	0.166* (0.101)
<i>De Facto Political Globalization</i>	0.0002 (0.002)	0.001 (0.002)	-0.001 (0.002)	-0.001 (0.002)
<i>Logged HRO Presence</i>	-0.293*** (0.061)	-0.320*** (0.062)	-0.278*** (0.060)	-0.221*** (0.062)
<i>Conflict Location</i>	-0.189*** (0.073)	-0.182** (0.072)	-0.192*** (0.073)	-0.255*** (0.070)
Constant	1.107*** (0.220)	1.213*** (0.223)	1.095*** (0.215)	0.858*** (0.223)

Note:

*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

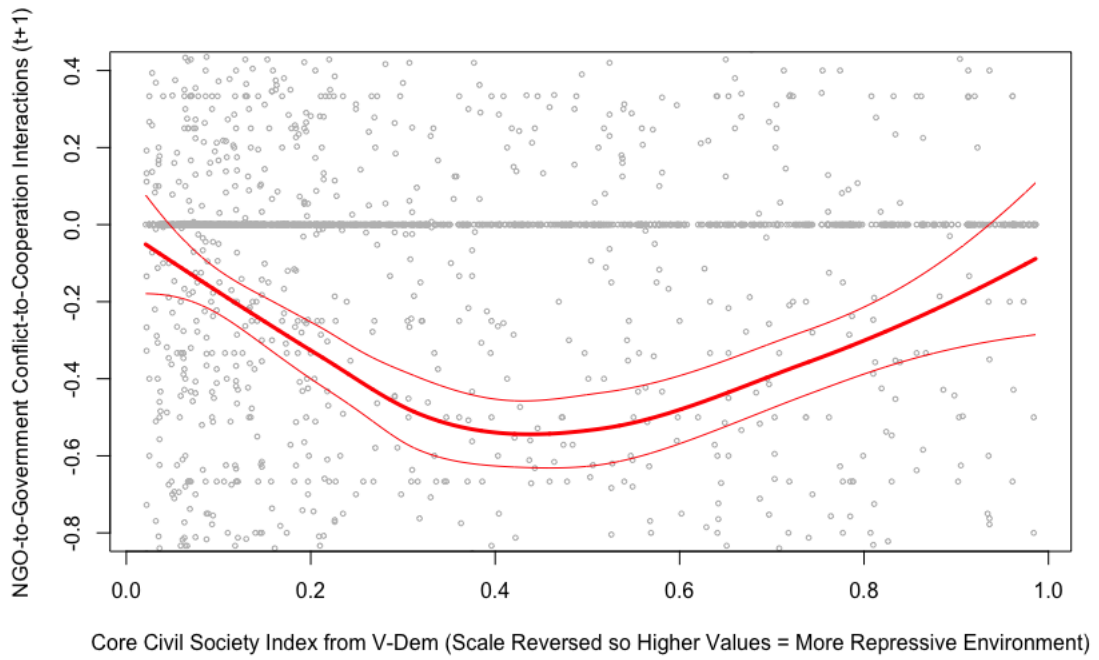


Figure 2. LOESS of NGO-to-Government Conflict-to-Cooperation Interaction (t+1) on Core Civil Society Index from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)

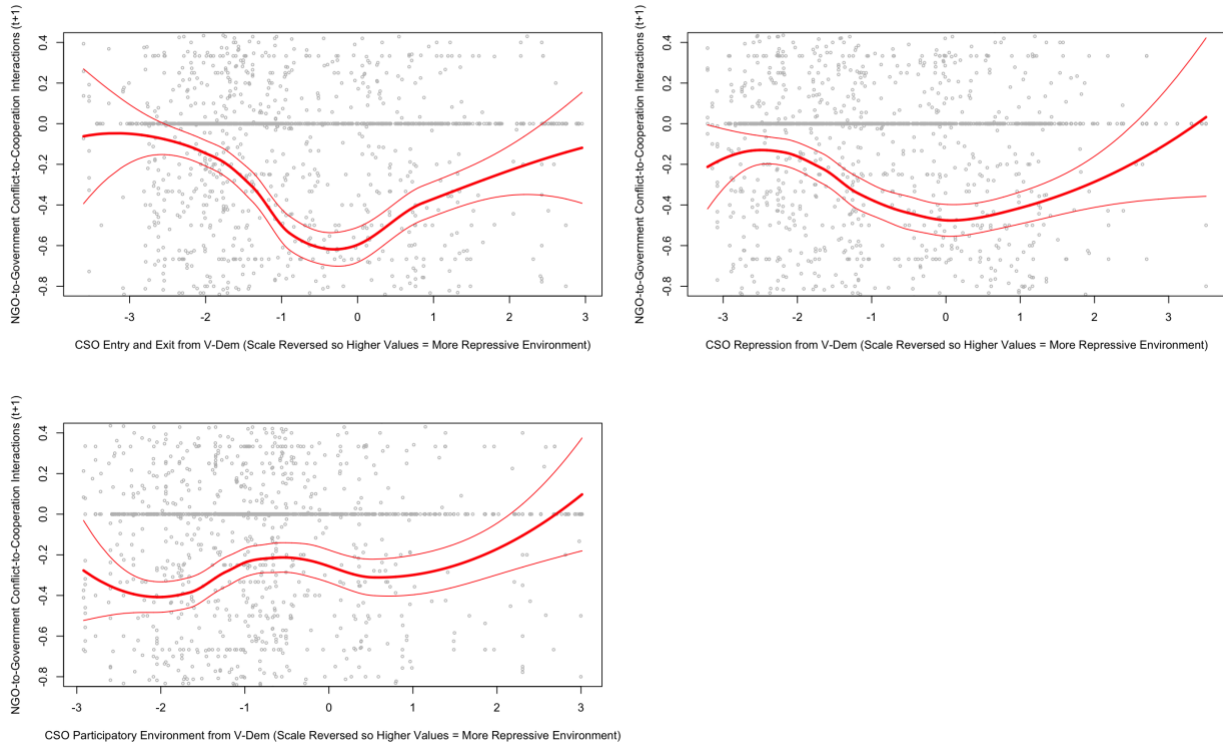


Figure 3. LOESS of NGO-to-Government Conflict-to-Cooperation Interaction (t+1) on Civil Society Repression Measures from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)

Table 3. The Outcome of Quadratic Regression Models for Determinants of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions Based on the Key Independent Variable from ICEWS (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)

	<i>Dependent Variable</i>
	<i>Mean Intensity of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions from ICEWS (t+1)</i>
<i>CSO Repression from ICEWS (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>	-6.810*** (1.670)
<i>CSO Repression from ICEWS (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>	8.690*** (1.680)
<i>Level of Democracy</i>	0.017*** (0.005)
<i>Logged Aid to All NGOs</i>	-0.003 (0.005)
<i>Logged Aid to Non-NGOs</i>	-0.008 (0.005)
<i>Whether an OECD Country</i>	0.058 (0.113)
<i>De Facto Political Globalization</i>	-0.001 (0.002)
<i>Logged HRO Presence</i>	-0.235*** (0.070)
<i>Conflict Location</i>	-0.213*** (0.074)
Constant	1.030*** (0.251)
Observations	2,707
R ²	0.043
Adjusted R ²	0.040
Residual Std. Error	1.330 (df = 2697)
F Statistic	13.500*** (df = 9; 2697)

Note:

*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

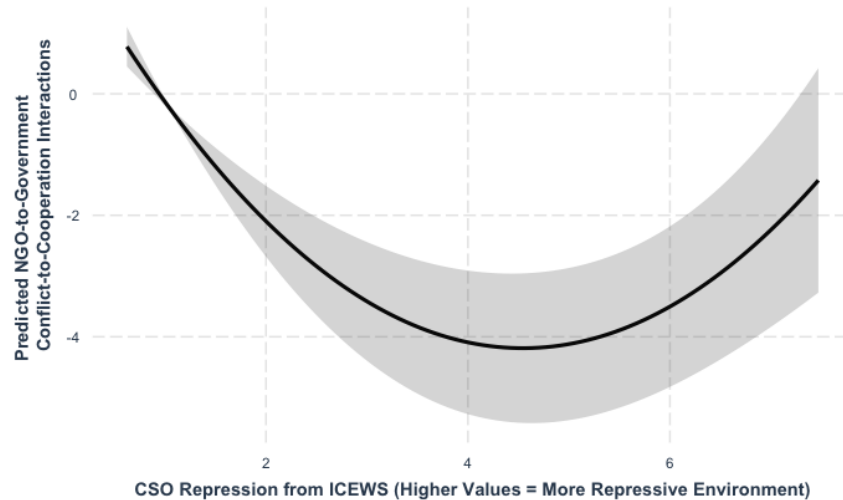


Figure 4. Predicted NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions as ICEWS-based measure of CSO Repression (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment) Varies, Based on Results from Table 2

Civil Society Repression is thus defined as the mean intensity of government-to-NGO conflictual-to-cooperative interactions from ICEWS, where higher scores indicate more repression after we reverse the values (as was also the case with the V-Dem civil society indicator).

As shown in **Table 2**, we find that the key independent variable's squared term (*Civil Society Repression*²) is positive and statistically significant. In other words, the quadratic relationship tested in the robustness check is consistent with the findings in the baseline model. As shown in **Figure 4**, when *Civil Society Repression* is below 2 (indicating a more repressive, less cooperative environment), the corresponding estimates of the response variable within the grey area of the 95% predicted intervals are above -2.5 and in a tighter pattern around the mean. As observed, as the civil society environment improves (with lower values for the *Civil Society Repression* variable), we first get a slightly more conflictual and then a more cooperative average NGO-to-government interaction, in line with our hypothesis.

Table 4. The Outcome of Quadratic Regression Models for Determinants of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions with Lagged Dependent Variables as Additional Controls

	<i>Dependent Variable</i>			
	<i>Mean Intensity of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions from ICEWS (t+1)</i>			
	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3	Model 4
<i>Core Civil Society Index from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>	-5.030*			
	(3.040)			
<i>Core Civil Society Index from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>	4.530***			
	(1.600)			
<i>CSO Entry and Exit from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>		-7.540***		
		(2.820)		
<i>CSO Entry and Exit from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>		3.560**		
		(1.550)		
<i>CSO Repression from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>			-6.200**	
			(2.790)	
<i>CSO Repression from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>			2.780*	
			(1.610)	
<i>CSO Participatory Environment from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>				3.690*
				(2.210)
<i>CSO Participatory Environment from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>				-1.810
				(1.590)
<i>Mean Intensity of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions from ICEWS (t)</i>	0.291***	0.291***	0.292***	0.293***
	(0.018)	(0.018)	(0.018)	(0.018)
<i>Level of Democracy</i>	0.005	0.001	0.004	0.017***
	(0.007)	(0.007)	(0.007)	(0.005)
<i>Logged Aid to All NGOs</i>	-0.001	-0.002	-0.001	-0.001
	(0.004)	(0.004)	(0.004)	(0.004)
<i>Logged Aid to Non-NGOs</i>	-0.002	-0.003	-0.003	-0.006
	(0.005)	(0.005)	(0.005)	(0.005)
<i>Whether an OECD Country</i>	0.100	0.121	0.088	0.118
	(0.102)	(0.102)	(0.102)	(0.102)
<i>De Facto Political Globalization</i>	0.0003	0.001	-0.0003	-0.0004
	(0.002)	(0.002)	(0.002)	(0.002)
<i>Logged HRO Presence</i>	-0.222***	-0.243***	-0.209***	-0.172***
	(0.064)	(0.064)	(0.062)	(0.066)
<i>Conflict Location</i>	-0.104	-0.099	-0.108	-0.152**
	(0.067)	(0.067)	(0.067)	(0.065)
Constant	0.872***	0.955***	0.854***	0.699***
	(0.234)	(0.235)	(0.228)	(0.243)
Observations	2,991	2,991	2,991	2,991
R ²	0.112	0.113	0.112	0.111
Adjusted R ²	0.109	0.110	0.109	0.108
Residual Std. Error (df = 2980)	1.260	1.260	1.260	1.260
F Statistic (df = 10; 2980)	37.700***	38.000***	37.400***	37.100***

Note:

*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

Table 5. The Outcome of GEE Models with AR(1) Correlation Structure for Determinants of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions

	<i>Dependent Variable</i>			
	<i>Mean Intensity of NGO-to-Government Conflictual-to-Cooperative Interactions from ICEWS (t+1)</i>			
	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3	Model 4
<i>Core Civil Society Index from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>	-4.354 (3.398)			
<i>Core Civil Society Index from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>	7.993*** (2.032)			
<i>CSO Entry and Exit from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>		-6.058 (3.183)		
<i>CSO Entry and Exit from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>		6.809*** (2.005)		
<i>CSO Repression from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>			-9.295* (4.023)	
<i>CSO Repression from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>			5.298* (2.276)	
<i>CSO Participatory Environment from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)</i>				5.382 (3.427)
<i>CSO Participatory Environment from V-Dem (Scale Reversed so Higher Values = More Repressive Environment)²</i>				0.325 (2.691)
<i>Level of Democracy</i>	0.009 (0.012)	0.006 (0.012)	0.001 (0.012)	0.026* (0.010)
<i>Logged Aid to All NGOs</i>	-0.010 (0.006)	-0.010 (0.006)	-0.010 (0.006)	-0.010 (0.006)
<i>Logged Aid to Non-NGOs</i>	0.014 (0.007)	0.012 (0.007)	0.013 (0.008)	0.010 (0.008)
<i>Whether an OECD Country</i>	0.122 (0.166)	0.148 (0.166)	0.114 (0.008)	0.167 (0.184)
<i>De Facto Political Globalization</i>	-0.002 (0.003)	-0.001 (0.003)	-0.003 (0.003)	-0.002 (0.003)
<i>Logged HRO Presence</i>	-0.226** (0.081)	-0.245** (0.083)	-0.229** (0.085)	-0.163* (0.079)
<i>Conflict Location</i>	-0.308** (0.115)	-0.309** (0.112)	-0.309** (0.118)	-0.358** (0.112)
Constant	0.721* (0.339)	0.789* (0.350)	0.805* (0.365)	0.447 (0.324)
Observations	2,707	2,707	2,707	2,707
Estimated Correlation Parameter	0.475 (0.08)	0.472 (0.080)	0.481 (0.078)	0.482 (0.078)

Note:

*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01